

Environmental Protection Agency

§ 91.704

into the United States, but which engines, at the time of importation or being offered for importation are not covered by certificates of conformity issued under section 213 and section 206(a) of the Clean Air Act as amended (that is, which are nonconforming marine engines as defined in § 91.702), and this part. Compliance with regulations under this subpart does not relieve any person or entity from compliance with other applicable provisions of the Clean Air Act.

(b) Regulations prescribing further procedures for the importation of marine SI engines and marine vessels or equipment into the customs territory of the United States, as defined in 19 U.S.C. 1202, are set forth in U.S. Customs Service regulations.

§ 91.702 Definitions.

The definitions in subpart A of this part apply to this subpart. The following definitions also apply to this subpart.

Certificate of conformity. The document issued by the Administrator under section 213 and section 206(a) of the Act.

Nonconforming marine engine. A marine SI engine which is not covered by a certificate of conformity prior to importation or being offered for importation (or for which such coverage has not been adequately demonstrated to EPA). Also, a marine SI engine which was originally covered by a certificate of conformity, but subsequently altered or modified such that it is no longer in a certified configuration.

Original engine manufacturer (OEM). The entity which originally manufactured the marine engine.

United States. United States includes the customs territory of the United States as defined in 19 U.S.C. 1202, and the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

§ 91.703 Admission.

(a) A nonconforming marine SI engine offered for importation may only be imported into the United States under § 91.704, provided that an exemption or exclusion is granted by the Administrator. Final admission shall not

be granted unless the marine SI engine is exempted or excluded under § 91.704.

(b) In order to obtain admission the importer must submit to the Administrator a written request for approval containing the following:

(1) Identification of the importer of the marine SI engine and the importer's address, telephone number, and taxpayer identification number;

(2) Identification of the marine SI engine owner, the owner's address, telephone number, and taxpayer identification number;

(3) Identification of the marine SI engine including make, model, identification number, and original production year;

(4) Information indicating under what provision of these regulations the marine SI engine is to be imported;

(5) Identification of the place(s) where the subject marine SI engine is to be stored;

(6) Authorization for EPA enforcement officers to conduct inspections or testing otherwise permitted by the Act or regulations thereunder; and

(7) Such other information as is deemed necessary by the Administrator.

§ 91.704 Exemptions and exclusions.

(a) Individuals and businesses are eligible to import nonconforming marine SI engines into the United States only under the provisions of this section.

(b) Notwithstanding other requirements of this subpart, a nonconforming marine SI engine entitled to one of the temporary exemptions of this paragraph may be conditionally admitted into the United States if prior written approval for the conditional admission is obtained from the Administrator. Conditional admission must be under bond. The Administrator may request that the U.S. Customs Service require a specific bond amount to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Act and this subpart. A written request for approval from the Administrator must contain the identification required in § 91.703(b) and information that demonstrates that the importer is entitled to the exemption. Noncompliance with provisions of this section may result in the forfeiture of the total amount of the bond or exportation of